

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3 through 20, 22, 24, and 25 were presented for examination in the present application. The instant amendment cancels claim 4 without prejudice. Thus, claims 1, 3, 5 through 20, 22, 24, and 25 are presented for consideration upon entry of the instant amendment, which is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3 through 20, 22, 24, and 25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Claim 4 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

Claim 4 has been cancelled rendering the rejections to claim 4 moot. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection to claim 4 are respectfully requested.

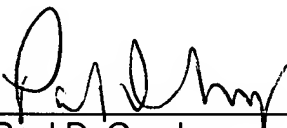
All of the remaining claims have been amended merely to make explicit what had been inherent in the claims. As such, claims 1, 3, 5 through 20, 22, 24, and 25 are allowable. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections to claims 1, 3, 5 through 20, 22, 24, and 25 are respectfully requested.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Such action is solicited. In the alternative, it is believed that the instant amendment places the present application in better condition for appeal. Accordingly, entry and consideration of the instant amendment, at least for the purposes of appeal, are respectfully requested.

If for any reason the Examiner feels that consultation with Applicants' attorney would be helpful in the advancement of the prosecution, the Examiner is invited to call the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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